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Public Meeting Thursday, June 9, 2011 Capitol Building, Capitol Auditorium 1:00 pm

Chairman Frasure called the committee back from recess. Present were Commissioner Lou Esposito, Commissioner Lorna Finman, Commissioner Evan Frasure, Commissioner Allen Andersen, Commissioner Julie Kane, and Commissioner George Moses. Present from the staff were Keith Bybee, Kristin Ford, and Cyd Gaudet.

Chairman Frasure indicated that they had two issues to address, the first of which was the calendar.

Commissioner Andersen then made a motion for approval of the revised schedule for the June public hearings, as follows:

June 14 th	Rexburg	7-9 pm
June 15 th	Idaho Falls	2-4pm
June 15 th	Pocatello	7-9 pm
June 16 th	Soda Springs	7-9pm
June 22 nd	Sandpoint	2-4pm
June 22 nd	Coeur d'Alene	7-9pm
June 23 rd	Moscow	2-4pm
June 23 rd	Lewiston	7-9om
June 28 th	Burley	7-9pm
June 29 th	Twin Falls	7-9pm
June 30 th	Hailey	7-9pm

Chairman Frasure indicated that this was a proposal for the June schedule and that any further schedules would be determined later. **Commissioner Andersen** then commented that based on the discussion from the previous day regarding the need to hold public hearings around the state, and after conferring with his colleagues, they felt that this would be a positive thing to do. He also noted that they had been advised that the budget was sufficient to be able to do this, and he encouraged a positive vote on this June schedule.

As all were in favor the motion was approved.

Commissioner Andersen then suggested that the Meridian public hearing, which had been scheduled for June, could probably now be moved to July 13th. **Chairman Frasure** indicated that as they had not had a chance to discuss July he would prefer that they just address June today. He also indicated that they could discuss the July calendar during the upcoming public hearings. **Commissioner Esposito** then requested that they commit to having a decision on any July public hearings before the commission left northern Idaho.

Chairman Frasure then went on to the policies and procedures and asked the commission to address section #16. **Commissioner Andersen** moved to adopt #16 as proposed. **Commissioner Moses** noted that he was going to vote to adopt #16; however, he wanted to make some observations before he voted. He stated that he had hoped for a more financially efficient way for the commission to conduct their business, given the straits in which the State finds itself. He stated that he believes that no fair criticism could be given to this commission that they have not offered opportunity for public input, by anyone in Idaho, by any means, either electronically, through Maptitude, thru email, thru telephone, by hand or personally or any other way. He stated that by no stretch could this be considered a closed process. He said that he was sensitive to financial implications to what they are doing; however, in the interest of moving the process forward he would vote for this section. **Chairman Frasure** stated that he appreciated the good spirited debate on this issue yesterday, and he felt that they had come to a reasonable compromise to make sure that they did have a public schedule that all could agree on. Further he stated that they certainly do want to make this a very public process, and obviously as a commission that they reserved the right to schedule future hearings, and as they still have July and August they can certainly schedule those. He also said that he thought that they had adopted a good policy. With that he called for a vote. As all were in favor, #16 was approved.

Chairman Frasure then noted that, without objection, they would allow any commissioner to submit a pertinent court case, over the next week, to be input under #3 in the Policies and Procedures.

Chairman Frasure then expressed his appreciation to the staff, particularly **Mr. Bybee**. He indicated that when he sees even the potential for any error in the numbers, he jumps on it, and he wanted to compliment the staff in chasing down those concerns. He said he wanted to publicly thank **Mr. Bybee** for helping him immensely, and doing a marvelous job, and to let him know on the record how much he appreciated this. He indicated that sometimes his questions can be direct, and that he means absolutely no offense, and he appreciates the high quality staff.

Commissioner Andersen then moved to adjourn. As all were in favor the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.